

Aiken Elementary School

2050 Pine Log Road
Aiken, SC 29803

Grades	PK-5 Elementary School	
Enrollment	811 Students	
Principal	Rebecca M. Koelker	803-641-2740
Superintendent	Dr. Elizabeth Everitt	803-641-2428
Board Chair	Mrs. Rosemary B. English	803-648-1128

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA 2014 ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT CARD

RATINGS OVER 5-YEAR PERIOD

YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING
2014	Excellent	Average
2013	Good	Below Average
2012	Excellent	Excellent
2011	Excellent	Excellent
2010	Excellent	Excellent

DEFINITIONS OF SCHOOL RATING TERMS

- Excellent - School performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2020 SC Performance Vision
- Good - School performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2020 SC Performance Vision
- Average - School performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2020 SC Performance Vision
- Below Average - School is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2020 SC Performance Vision
- At-Risk - School performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2020 SC Performance Vision

SOUTH CAROLINA PERFORMANCE VISION

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

<http://ed.sc.gov>
<http://www.eoc.sc.gov>

Percent of Student SC PASS Records Matched for Purpose of Computing Growth Rating

Percent of students tested in 2013-14 whose 2012-13 test scores were located

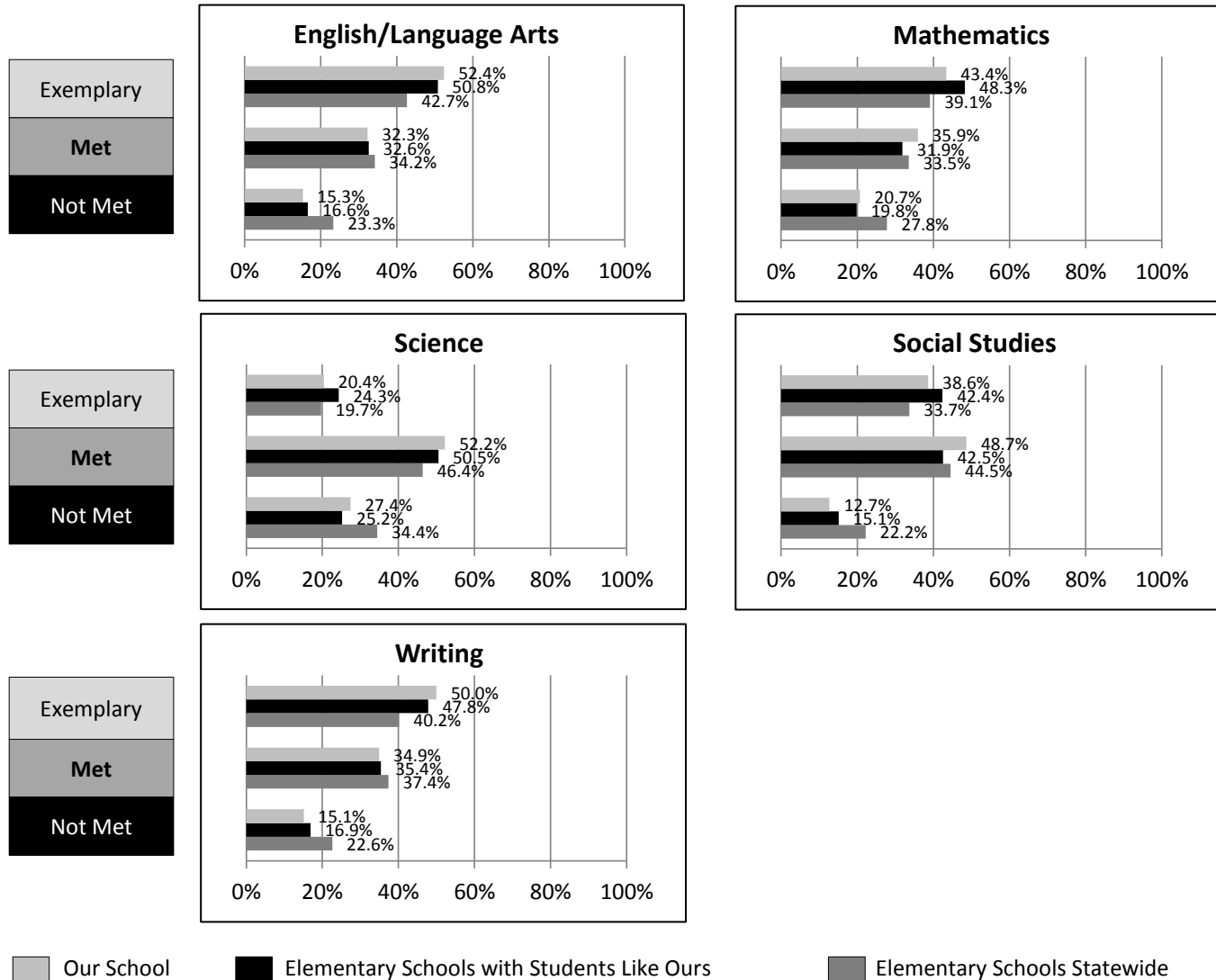
94.4%

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

Excellent	Good	Average	Below Average	At-Risk
56	34	9	0	0

* Ratings are calculated with data available by 04/27/2015.

South Carolina Palmetto Assessment of State Standards (SC PASS)



* Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours are elementary schools with poverty indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for the school.

Definition of Critical Terms

Exemplary	"Exemplary" means student demonstrated exemplary performance in meeting the grade level standard.
Met	"Met" means student met the grade level standard.
Not Met	"Not Met" means that the student did not meet the grade level standard.

Abbreviations for Missing Data

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School Profile

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Elementary School
Students (n = 811)				
1st graders who attended full-day kindergarten	100.0%	No change	100.0%	100.0%
Retention Rate	2.5%	Up from 2.4%	0.8%	1.0%
Attendance Rate	96.7%	Down from 96.8%	96.6%	96.5%
Served by gifted and talented program	11.1%	Down from 11.9%	9.6%	7.3%
With disabilities	8.2%	Down from 8.6%	11.5%	12.5%
Older than usual for grade	2.3%	Down from 2.7%	1.4%	1.8%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0%	Down from 0.1%	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n = 48)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	60.4%	Down from 63.3%	64.4%	62.3%
Continuing contract teachers	85.4%	Down from 91.8%	85.0%	81.2%
Teachers returning from previous year	87.6%	Down from 91.1%	90.4%	88.4%
Teacher attendance rate	98.7%	Up from 94.7%	95.3%	95.3%
Average teacher salary*	\$48,373	Down 1.8%	\$50,092	\$47,902
Professional development days/teacher	9.5 days	Down from 12.2 days	12.0 days	10.9 days
School				
Principal's years at school	3.0	Up from 2.0	5.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	21.5 to 1	Down from 23.2 to 1	20.2 to 1	19.9 to 1
Prime instructional time	95.4%	Up from 90.6%	91.2%	90.7%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	100.0%	No change	100.0%	100.0%
Character development program	Excellent	No change	Excellent	Excellent
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$5,765	Down 10.3%	\$7,437	\$7,680
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	70.1%	Down from 72.0%	67.7%	66.8%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	68.7%	Up from 68.0%	66.8%	66.0%

* Includes current year teachers contracted for 185 or more days.

** Prior year audited financial data are reported.

Report of Principal and School Improvement Council

Aiken Elementary is a student-centered, high-achieving, award winning school serving over 800 students from pre-school to fifth grade; and including a pre-school special education classroom and an autism academy. Our school has an outstanding staff dedicated to helping all students grow and succeed. We have enjoyed continued support from our parents and the community. Our PTA Board and School Improvement Council are instrumental in our planning and improvement process. Our awards are numerous: National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence, Palmettos' Finest, South Carolina Dept. of Education Red Carpet School, and the many Palmetto Gold and Silver Awards (nine in all), including a Gold and Silver Award for the 2012-2013 school year. Sustained high student achievement, based upon providing a rigorous standards-based curriculum, is a trademark of our school. The teachers and staff at Aiken Elementary work collaboratively to ensure consistency of learning across and within grade levels and content areas. We believe service learning and service to our community are important aspects of our offerings to students. These are vehicles for our students to learn good citizenship and compassion for others. In addition, we have a school-wide bully prevention program that includes students, faculty and staff, parents and community members. Our bully prevention program educates all stakeholders by providing a common understanding of what bullying is and all of the types of bullying behavior, how to prevent it, and how to respond when it occurs. We have weekly classroom discussions about bullying and other issues or concerns that our students may wish to address. We include all school personnel and parents in our efforts to make Aiken Elementary a safe and joyous place to work and play. Innovative learning experiences are a part of every day. Increasing the amount and effectiveness of technology for our students and staff is a focus for us. Aiken Elementary is a wireless building with multiple computer labs, iPads, iPods, and interactive white boards in every classroom. The technology plan has several long term goals and we are well on our way to providing cutting edge technology to every students and staff member every day. Aiken Elementary is a school of excellence. Aiken Elementary is a community school. Aiken Elementary is a school to be proud of. We are the Explorers and we seek knowledge and understanding. We are life- long learners and we enjoy every day spent at Aiken Elementary exploring and learning together.

Rebecca M. Koelker, Principal

Paula Simmons, SIC Chairperson

Evaluations by Teachers, Students and Parents

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	52	106	44
Percent satisfied with learning environment	80.8%	86.7%	91.0%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	88.4%	87.2%	91.1%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	98.0%	87.2%	84.5%

* Only students at the highest elementary school grade level and their parents were included.

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ESEA/Federal Accountability Rating System

In July 2013, the South Carolina Department of Education was granted a waiver from several accountability requirements of the Federal Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA). This waiver allowed SC to replace the former pass/fail system with one that utilizes more of the statewide assessments already in place and combine these subject area results with graduation rate (in high schools) to determine if each school met the target or made progress toward the target. This analysis results in a letter grade for the school rather than the pass/fail system of previous years. For a detailed review of the matrix for each school and districts that determined the letter grade, please use the following link: <http://ed.sc.gov/data/esea/> or request this information from your child's district or school.

Overall Weighted Points Total	88.5
Overall Grade Conversion	B

Index Score	Grade	Description
90-100	A	Performance substantially exceeds the state's expectations.
80-89.9	B	Performance exceeds the state's expectations.
70-79.9	C	Performance meets the state's expectations.
60-69.9	D	Performance does not meet the state's expectations.
Less than 60	F	Performance is substantially below the states' expectations.

Accountability Indicator (Title I Schools)

Aiken Elementary School has been designated as a:

	Title I Reward School for Performance - among the highest performing Title I schools in a given year.
	Title I Reward School for Progress - one of the schools with substantial progress in school subgroups.
X	Title I Focus School - one of the schools with the highest average performance gap between subgroups.
	Title I Priority School - one of the 5% lowest performing Title I schools.
	Title I School - does not qualify as Reward, Focus or Priority School.
	Non-Title I School - therefore the designations above are not applicable.

Teacher Quality and Student Attendance

		Our District	State
Classes in low poverty schools not taught by highly qualified teachers		1.3	3.2%
Classes in high poverty schools not taught by highly qualified teachers		0	7.3%
	Our School	State Objective	Met State Objective
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	0.0%	Yes
Student attendance rate	96.7%	94.0%*	Yes
			State
Professional qualifications of all elementary and secondary teachers in the State (Advanced Degrees)			61.9%
Percentage of all elementary and secondary teachers in the State with emergency or provisional credentials			0.0%

* Or greater than last year

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SC PASS Performance By Group - ESEA/Federal Accountability

Subgroups	ELA Mean	Math Mean	Science Mean	Social Studies Mean*	ELA % Tested	Math % Tested	Science % Tested
Grades 3-5							
All Students	653.2	648.1	627.6	650.5	100.0	100.0	99.2
Male	654.2	654.9	630.0	656.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Female	652.1	640.8	624.8	644.3	100.0	100.0	98.2
White	671.9	667.1	649.0	663.4	100.0	100.0	98.4
African American	628.4	623.1	598.1	632.7	100.0	100.0	100.0
Asian/Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Hispanic	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
American Indian/Alaskan Native	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
With Disabilities	592.2	587.2	N/A	N/A	100.0	100.0	N/A
Limited English Proficient	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Subsidized Meals	630.4	622.5	605.0	632.4	100.0	100.0	98.3
Migrant	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Annual Measurable Objective (AMO)	640.0	640.0	640.0	640.0	95.0	95.0	95.0

* Social Studies used as "Other Academic Indicator" for elementary and middle schools.

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Two Year Elementary and Middle School Grades Trend Data

	Grade	SCPASS ELA			SCPASS Math		
		N	Mean	% Tested	N	Mean	% Tested
2013	3	140	661.3	99.3	140	628.7	100.0
	4	118	644.2	99.2	118	639.6	99.2
	5	160	661.5	99.4	160	643.8	100.0
	6	N/A	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/AV
	7	N/A	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/AV
	8	N/A	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/AV
		SCPASS Science			SCPASS Social Studies*/History		
		N	Mean	% Tested	N	Mean	% Tested
	3	71	615.0	100.0	69	637.0	100.0
	4	118	625.3	99.2	118	645.8	99.2
	5	80	630.1	100.0	80	649.1	100.0
	6	N/A	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/AV
	7	N/A	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/AV
	8	N/A	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/AV

	Grade	SCPASS ELA			SCPASS Math		
		N	Mean	% Tested	N	Mean	% Tested
2014	3	117	654.7	100.0	117	634.5	100.0
	4	126	658.5	100.0	126	660.2	100.0
	5	117	645.8	100.0	117	648.2	100.0
	6	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	7	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	8	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
		SCPASS Science			SCPASS Social Studies*/History		
		N	Mean	% Tested	N	Mean	% Tested
	3	57	612.6	98.3	60	637.5	100.0
	4	126	629.6	100.0	126	653.2	100.0
	5	58	638.5	98.3	58	658.0	100.0
	6	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	7	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	8	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

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NOTE: Results include the SC-ALT test.

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Performance by Group - ESEA/Federal Accountability (District)							4/27/2015	0201016
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Subgroups	ELA Mean	Math Mean	Science Mean	Soc Studies*/ History Mean	ELA % Tested	Math % Tested	Science % Tested	Graduation Rate
Grades 3 - 5								
All Students	638.8	636.1	614.1	632.5	99.7	99.8	99.5	N/A
Male	634.3	635.8	614.3	634.2	99.7	99.8	99.6	N/A
Female	643.6	636.3	613.9	630.6	99.8	99.7	99.4	N/A
White	651.8	648.9	628.0	641.9	99.8	99.8	99.4	N/A
African American	619.2	616.1	593.3	616.6	99.6	99.6	99.6	N/A
Asian/Pacific Islander	659.6	671.3	640.6	656.4	100.0	100.0	100.0	N/A
Hispanic	627.7	625.3	602.5	628.7	100.0	100.0	99.7	N/A
American Indian/Alaskan	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
With Disabilities	588.9	585.0	573.3	594.3	98.8	98.8	99.4	N/A
Limited English Proficient	624.0	626.3	600.7	628.6	99.8	100.0	99.6	N/A
Subsidized Meals	624.9	621.2	600.7	620.8	99.7	99.7	99.4	N/A
Migrant	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Annual Measurable Objective (AMO)	640.0	640.0	640.0	640.0	95.0	95.0	95.0	N/A
Grades 6 - 8								
All Students	623.1	622.4	624.6	623.6	99.5	99.5	99.6	N/A
Male	616.4	621.5	624.6	626.2	99.4	99.4	99.4	N/A
Female	630.7	623.4	624.7	620.9	99.6	99.7	99.8	N/A
White	637.1	634.3	640.3	634.7	99.5	99.5	99.5	N/A
African American	602.8	605.0	602.0	605.9	99.5	99.6	99.7	N/A
Asian/Pacific Islander	650.3	662.9	644.3	665.7	100.0	100.0	100.0	N/A
Hispanic	617.5	615.6	617.2	624.7	99.8	99.8	99.3	N/A
American Indian/Alaskan	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	96.8	96.8	N/A	N/A
With Disabilities	571.8	579.8	581.5	585.5	98.6	98.7	98.8	N/A
Limited English Proficient	611.1	615.8	615.3	625.5	100.0	100.0	99.6	N/A
Subsidized Meals	606.9	607.9	609.8	609.9	99.3	99.3	99.4	N/A
Migrant	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Annual Measurable Objective (AMO)	632.0	632.0	632.0	632.0	95.0	95.0	95.0	N/A
Grades 9 - 12								
All Students	229.9	224.0	82.4	74.1	99.0	99.2	100.0	82.8
Male	226.8	224.8	82.6	75.9	98.8	98.9	100.0	78.2
Female	233.3	223.1	82.4	72.5	99.3	99.6	100.0	87.8
White	236.3	231.1	86.5	77.5	99.0	99.2	100.0	87.9
African American	219.8	211.7	76.5	68.4	98.8	99.3	100.0	75.1
Asian/Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	90.0
Hispanic	224.8	220.0	78.0	73.3	100.0	100.0	100.0	79.0
American Indian/Alaskan	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
With Disabilities	202.6	196.2	66.6	65.3	97.2	97.2	100.0	38.3
Limited English Proficient	216.7	216.2	75.8	68.8	100.0	98.5	100.0	68.1
Subsidized Meals	220.9	213.5	77.0	70.0	98.8	99.3	100.0	74.1
Migrant	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Annual Measurable Objective (AMO)	229.0	226.0	78.0	75.0	95.0	95.0	95.0	75.1

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Performance by Group - ESEA/Federal Accountability (State)							4/27/2015	0201016
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Subgroups	ELA Mean	Math Mean	Science Mean	Soc Studies* / History Mean	ELA % Tested	Math % Tested	Science % Tested	Graduation Rate
Grades 3 - 5								
All Students	643.8	644.3	626.4	645.0	99.7	99.8	99.8	N/A
Male	638.9	643.9	627.0	646.5	99.7	99.8	99.8	N/A
Female	649.0	644.6	625.8	643.4	99.8	99.9	99.8	N/A
White	659.5	662.7	644.4	659.5	99.8	99.9	99.8	N/A
African American	622.3	617.3	601.2	624.1	99.7	99.8	99.7	N/A
Asian/Pacific Islander	669.9	686.6	655.9	673.4	99.9	100.0	99.8	N/A
Hispanic	631.7	634.6	614.5	636.5	99.7	99.9	99.9	N/A
American Indian/Alaskan	642.1	640.4	627.1	641.8	99.7	99.9	99.5	N/A
With Disabilities	599.3	596.5	587.6	609.2	98.9	99.5	99.5	N/A
Limited English Proficient	631.2	638.6	615.0	638.1	99.7	99.9	99.9	N/A
Subsidized Meals	627.7	625.2	609.4	628.7	99.7	99.8	99.7	N/A
Migrant	608.2	615.1	590.4	623.4	100.0	100.0	100.0	N/A
Annual Measurable Objective (AMO)	640.0	640.0	640.0	640.0	95.0	95.0	95.0	N/A
Grades 6 - 8								
All Students	627.8	632.2	634.7	637.4	99.7	99.7	99.7	N/A
Male	620.6	630.1	634.4	639.8	99.7	99.7	99.6	N/A
Female	635.4	634.3	635.0	634.9	99.8	99.8	99.7	N/A
White	644.3	647.7	652.3	652.3	99.8	99.8	99.7	N/A
African American	604.3	608.5	608.9	615.2	99.7	99.7	99.6	N/A
Asian/Pacific Islander	658.5	680.2	673.0	677.3	99.9	99.9	99.9	N/A
Hispanic	617.3	625.4	625.0	630.5	99.7	99.7	99.7	N/A
American Indian/Alaskan	629.4	631.2	637.2	638.3	99.9	99.8	99.7	N/A
With Disabilities	574.5	584.3	584.9	592.8	99.4	99.4	99.2	N/A
Limited English Proficient	612.5	625.8	622.5	629.8	99.6	99.7	99.8	N/A
Subsidized Meals	610.0	614.6	616.3	619.9	99.7	99.7	99.6	N/A
Migrant	586.4	606.8	600.8	607.7	98.2	98.2	100.0	N/A
Annual Measurable Objective (AMO)	632.0	632.0	632.0	632.0	95.0	95.0	95.0	N/A
Grades 9 - 12								
All Students	229.3	222.6	81.8	74.9	98.7	98.7	100.0	80.0
Male	225.6	222.4	81.8	75.9	98.3	98.3	100.0	75.7
Female	233.2	222.9	81.9	74.0	99.2	99.1	100.0	84.5
White	235.9	230.8	86.1	78.1	99.0	98.9	100.0	82.8
African American	219.6	209.6	75.2	69.9	98.3	98.3	100.0	76.0
Asian/Pacific Islander	240.2	245.8	89.4	80.3	99.3	99.3	100.0	88.0
Hispanic	225.1	219.4	79.5	73.5	98.9	99.0	100.0	76.9
American Indian/Alaskan	228.8	220.3	81.9	77.2	98.9	99.3	100.0	74.3
With Disabilities	204.3	196.5	68.4	66.2	96.6	96.5	100.0	43.2
Limited English Proficient	218.0	214.7	76.6	71.3	99.3	99.3	100.0	73.4
Subsidized Meals	221.1	212.6	76.8	70.8	98.3	98.2	100.0	72.5
Migrant	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	61.5
Annual Measurable Objective (AMO)	229.0	226.0	78.0	75.0	95.0	95.0	95.0	75.1

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Reading - Grade 4 (2013)



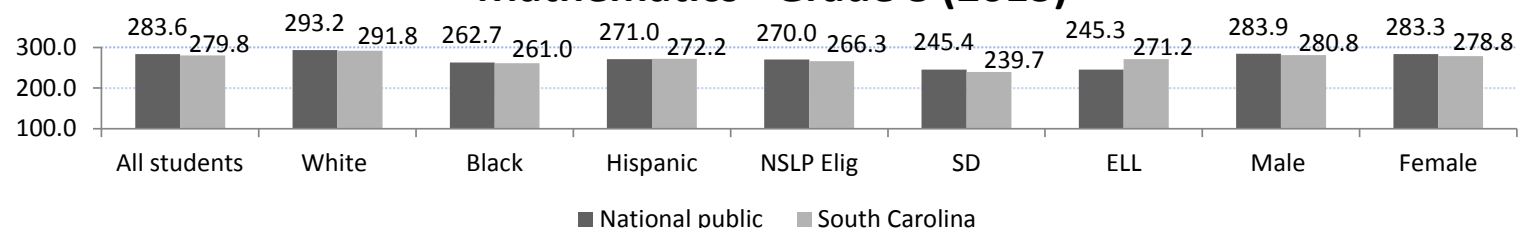
Mathematics - Grade 4 (2013)



Reading - Grade 8 (2013)



Mathematics - Grade 8 (2013)



Key

NSLP National school lunch program

SD Student with disabilities

ELL English language learner

NAEP National Association of Education Progress

	SD Participation Rate	ELL Participation Rate
Reading, Grade 4	89.0%	96.0%
Reading, Grade 8	85.0%	96.0%
Mathematics, Grade 4	93.0%	99.0%
Mathematics, Grade 8	90.0%	95.0%

Our School

Number of recently arrived ELL students exempted from ELA in state assessments

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